SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 759 By McNally

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Judy Arnold Rice.

WHEREAS, Mrs. Judy Rice is a respected and beloved resident of our great state; and WHEREAS, Mrs. Judy Arnold Rice, was born and reared in Claiborne County and presently resides in LaFollette with her husband, Paul Rice. They are the parents of three children, Ollie (Rice) Medley, Addie (Rice) Mundy, and Michael Rice. Their four grandchildren include: Michael O'Neal, Rudy, Clarissa, And Katie Lynn; and

WHEREAS, Judy Rice is the daughter of the late Mrs. Edith Arnold and the late Mr. U.

R. Arnold. She graduated from Jellico High School and attended Cumberland College in

Williamsburg, Kentucky; and

WHEREAS, Judy and Paul own and successfully operate Rice Oil Company, which distributes BP Oil products throughout the area. Judy recently sold her business called Judy's Gifts which was a gift and specialty shop; and

WHEREAS, the Rices also have a farming interest in which they expertly raise, sell, and show American Saddlebreed horses; and

WHEREAS, her family has played a leading role in business and entrepreneurial development of Campbell County; and

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WHEREAS, Judy is a devout member of the First Baptist Church of LaFollette. She has served the church as a trustee. She is a member of the Couples Sunday School class and has served on the Decoration Committee; and

WHEREAS, Judy's interests include cooking, flowers, horses, and traveling. Most importantly, she enjoys her family and doting over her grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, her love and concern for her family, friends, and community is reflected in the way she conducts her daily affairs; and

WHEREAS, Judy has long been a participant in many civic and community activities.

She has long sought to improve and expand the horizons for her children and other youngsters throughout Campbell County; and

WHEREAS, she has served as a Cub Scout Leader and as a Neighborhood Chairman for the Tansai Girl Scouts. She has participated in many school and church activities that involve children; and

WHEREAS, today, she is actively involved with the Christian Academy of Campbell county where her grandchildren attend school. She was a founder of the Academy and currently serves on the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, in addition, she has served for several years as a member of the Vocational Education Advisory Committee for the Campbell County School System. On numerous occasions, Judy has served as a chaperon for students attending national vocational conferences; and

WHEREAS, Judy has long been noted as a leader, organizer, and worker for many charitable projects and community organizations. She has served as president of the Hill & Valley Garden Club and as a member of the Campbell County Christmas Parade Committee; and

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WHEREAS, she has been involved with the Campbell Chamber of Commerce and has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the Chamber. She has also served as treasurer for the Campbell County United Way; and

WHEREAS, Judy served as the chairperson of the Host Committee for the Tennessee Bicentennial Traveling Display when it was exhibited in LaFollette; and

WHEREAS, she served on the Celebration Committee to pay tribute to General Carl Wade Stiner for his distinguished military service upon his retirement and return to live in his home county of Claiborne; and

WHEREAS, for several years, Judy has served as chairperson of the Campbell County Cancer Association. She helped to organize the Cancer Association in order to provide financial reimbursement to needy cancer patients in the county to defray the expenses of medicines, medical supplies and transportation costs to receive treatments; and

WHEREAS, she takes great pride in working on various Campbell County Cancer fundraising projects which include, a countywide roadblock during Labor Day weekend, Singing Valentines, and memorials; and

WHEREAS, Judy has been involved in many other activities throughout the county. Her organizational skills and hard work challenge all who work with her to give their maximum effort. She is a doer and Campbell County is very fortunate to have someone of her ability, generosity and drive; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should honor and commend Judy Rice for her numerous contributions to the betterment of Campbell County and Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL

ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CONCURRING, That we express our deepest appreciation to Judy Rice and wish her well in her future endeavors.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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